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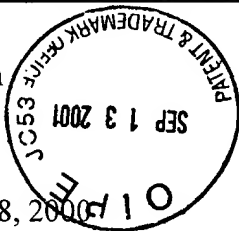
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This amendment is being filed in reply to the outstanding Notice to Comply, mailed August 20, 2001, in connection with the above application. Please enter the following amendments:

In the specification:

Please replace the paragraph from lines 23-29 on page 39 with:

a1 In an exemplary embodiment, portions of the 5' flanking region of the human Shh gene are amplified using primers which add restriction sites, to generate the following fragments

5'-gcgcgcttcgaaGCGAGGCAGCCAGCGAGGGAGAGAGCGAGCGGGCGAGCCGGAGC-GAGGAAatcgatgcgcgc (primer 1) (SEQ ID No. 23)

5'-gcgcgcagatctGGGAAAGCGCAAGAGAGAGCGCACACGCACACACCCGCCGCGCG-CACTCGggatccgcgcgc (primer 2) (SEQ ID No. 24)